

Board of Zoning Appeals

The Ferndale Board of Zoning Appeals was created to provide an avenue of appeal; each state's zoning enabling acts required that any community which adopted a zoning ordinance have a zoning board of appeals. The function of the BZA was to be a quasi-judicial body, to carry out two principal functions:

1. To hear and decide appeals of administrative decisions made in implementing the zoning ordinance;
2. To hear and decide requests for variances from the strict terms of the zoning ordinance. In addition, the BZA is occasionally called upon to interpret the provisions of the zoning ordinance.

The BZA meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at City Hall, 300 E. Nine Mile Rd. as necessary. (No meeting will be held if no cases are filed that month) The Community & Economic Development Department serves as the liaison to the Board of Zoning Appeals.